

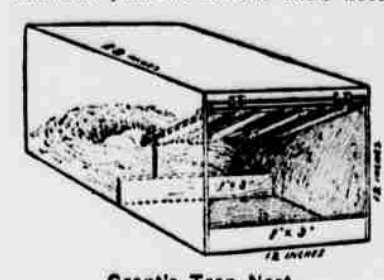


SUCCESS WITH TRAP NEST.

Sketch of One That Can Be Made for a Small Sum of Money and in Short Space of Time.

Henry Grant of San Diego, Cal., gives the following description and sketch of a low cost and serviceable trap nest, together with some personal experiences with his poultry:

"The sketch shows a simple trap nest which anyone can make out of a packing box 12x12x18 and at practically no cost. The door is set up with a small stick. The hen in passing over the small board dividing the nest raises the door, which allows the stick to fall and the trap drops. It takes about four visits a day to release the hens and rest the traps. The labor involved is practically nothing and is amply repaid in saving of feed by getting rid of the 'soldiers' in the flock. Two months' time is ample to demonstrate what a hen will do. Our own experience is probably like a good many others, when we first started in the poultry business, we parted with a large silver dollar, after viewing the exhibits of hens' interior (in alcohol) in Chicago and we immediately decided to practice on our little flock."



We had about thirty hens and we immediately divided them into two pens—one were to be the layers and the other were to be the brooders. In a week's time our 'brooder' pen had laid more eggs than 'layer' layers. We also parted with two dollars and got the other man's system of selecting the laying hens by their shape, etc. We also gave this up and decided that we needed more experience. One week's trial convinced us that it was the 'real thing.' Needless to say, we have never been without trap nests since."

RE-SORT UNSOLD COMB HONEY

Combs Canceled Should Be Cut Out and Rendered and Sold for What They Are.

If not already done, now is a good time to re-sort all unsold comb honey. One is almost certain to find some which is candied, and this should be taken out, as well as any that shows any signs of granulation whatever. The combs that are candied can be cut out and rendered and all the partly candied sold for just what they are.

The best place to do this sorting is before a good-sized window, so the combs can be held up to let the light through if it will. The edges of the comb next to the wood usually show the first signs of candying.

When selling honey to the home grocer it pays to go over his stock occasionally and exchange any which is candied. There is often a great loss of trade resulting from selling a good customer a section of candied honey. The grocer should know how to detect any slightly candied section honey.

POULTRY YARD NOTES.

Nothing helps the egg output more than a full feeding of cut green at noon.

Prevention is worth more than a cure; doctor the slightly-ailing bird, but banish the one that is real sick. The green tops of a bunch of green onions, cut up and cooked in the mash wotter, are a fine spring tonic to a dozen hens. To much onion flavor will show effect in the market eggs.

The Buff Minorca is the latest, and it hails from the Fresno district. With the Barred and Buffs there will soon be four varieties of the breed.

Lettuce is a great green for little chicks and poultry generally, but it is probable one will feed unhealthy germs upon it, if not washed, and grown by a vegetable vender. In washing the family lettuce the good waste green should also be washed as well, for feeding to chicks.

Variety of food is essential, but a variety of methods in giving it are detrimental. The experienced breeder is particularly about cleanliness, avoids overcrowding, feeds wholesome foods and keeps the hens busy. Why? Because he has arrived; to reach the same goal, follow suit.

Give Chickens Large Runs.

Houses and runs should be in proportion. It is seldom that the yards are large enough to keep the fowls active and healthy. In cities and villages it is no unusual sight to see a good sized house and a run no larger than the house in the area covered. The result is a perfectly bare and often filthy ground plot. The area of the yard should be at least ten times that of the house in which the birds are kept, and if the yard is larger, it will not be of excessive size. In fact, you cannot give the hens too much range and if you cannot give them free range, the area of the run should be so large that part of it will remain green through the entire growing season.

Sting of the Queen.

The queen only stings other queens, and seeks only to kill her rivals. She may be handled to any extent without fear of being stung. She has also great tenacity of life as well as longevity. She will often continue alive in conditions that have proven fatal to the workers confined with her. Queen bees are raised in large numbers by special breeders, and are sent all over the United States.

BEEES CAN BE KEPT ANYWHERE

They Are an Absolute Necessity to the Horticulturist and Are Good Money Makers.

That more persons do not keep bees is rather singular. They may be kept in the city or the country and in any locality. They are at home any place you set them down, either at the queen's palace or in the most remote corner of a wilderness. They will occupy a place that is of no use for anything else. They will save tons of



honey from going to loss. They are an absolute necessity to the horticulturist and have made some men rich, and in the now fashionable pursuit of nature study few things are more fascinating than the working of the bees, which may readily be observed in the glass front hive placed near a window through which the bees fly.

HATCH YOUR CHICKENS EARLY

Incubator Is Solution of Question of Early Hatches and Is Not Difficult.

Whether you are in the poultry business for fun or for money you will get more experience and less trouble by hatching early. Summer and autumn-hatched pullets of this year will be splendid autumn and winter layers next season, when the old hens and the earlier hatched should be shedding or are too much disposed to set.

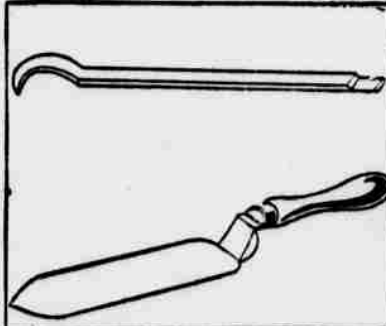
An incubator is the solution of the question of early hatches and it is not difficult to operate. When one gets the hang of it he can run it as easily as a man can balance himself on a bicycle. But with a hen's uncertain movements about returning to her nest, during the chilly days of early spring, the risk and trouble are too great to make early hatching pay.

It is easy enough to hatch early chickens the other way. You can turn them out by the hundreds with an incubator. But after that the trick of the poultry business lies in raising them and growing them quickly. They want to be kept growing from the time that they leave the shell until maturity.

USEFUL KNIVES FOR APIARIST

They Are Very Handy Tools for Handling and Manipulating Beehives and Not Expensive.

A very handy tool to use in handling or manipulating beehives is



shown in the cut. It consists of a metal bar a foot or so long, having a hook at one end and a sharp-edged blade at the other. With the hook it is an easy matter to hang it up where it is always in sight, otherwise it would be easily lost in the grass. It should be strong enough to pry up hive covers and the like.

Another useful instrument for handling beehives is the uncapping knife, which is also shown in the cut.

One Way to Raise Ducks.

The first thing to be considered on starting to raise ducks is to determine on the variety desired to be raised, then select about two dozen. The Pekin duck is the largest of all known breeds of ducks. Their feathers are always pure white and bring a good price in the market at all times. They are harder and less susceptible to the ailments that afflict other varieties. Ducks require more fresh air than chickens and can stand a whole lot more cold weather. With proper care a duck will lay from 100 to 125 eggs in a season and should be given plenty of egg-producing food and good shelter. Ducks will put on flesh and grow faster when the food is changed often and a variety of feeds is placed before them. Scraps from the table, apple parings, potatoes, bread, cornmeal, etc., make them thrive.

Ducks wash down their food with water and cannot eat well without it, so that it is necessary to have an abundance of water near the feed trough. A wire netting fence about two feet high will make an excellent inclosure for a duck yard.

After the ducklings are hatched and begin to eat, they should be given soft food, and in order to prevent them from getting too wet, shallow vessels ought to be used for watering purposes.

Trees in Poultry Yard.

It would be a good idea to set out plum trees in the poultry yards, and the hens will destroy the grubs and insects and enrich the soil, so that with a little trouble and expense, you can raise some of the most delicious fruit. With certain poultrymen this plan worked well and paid handsomely. Try the plan and see if you are not satisfied.

POLICE OF FOREIGN CITIES.

Marked Dissimilarity Exists in Costume and Methods in London, Paris and Berlin.

London policemen carry no clubs. Attached to the middle of the belt behind is a dark lantern. The cuffs of their coats have vertical stripes, blue and white, signifying rank and distinguished service. During the frequent showers and rains they wear little waterproof capes. Their silent regulation of street traffic by hand signaling is a realization of perfection. In Paris the ordinary patrolmen wear blue caps and coats, and in summer white duck trousers. They carry short swords, rather as an emblem of authority, but in extreme danger use the flat side as a club. In a downpour of rain the Paris policeman hangs his cap on a hook in the back side of his belt, and draws over his head the hood of a short blue cape of heavy cloth. This hooded cape is called a capuchon, and in its longer form, reaching to the knees, is used by civilians as well, in cold or rainy weather. Accordingly, at such times the streets of Paris seem to be alive with cowed monks. Recently the London plan for controlling vehicles has come into vogue successfully on the Paris boulevard. The policeman detailed for such duty wears white gloves, and signals with white clubs. German policemen wear helmets and have a distinctly martial air—Travel Magazine.

Poets of National Greatness.

Victor Hugo once said in his lordly, generalizing way, that it was Shakespeare who prevented England from being only another Carthage; and it is indeed true that but for our great poets we should not hold the place we hold in the opinion of Europe. Because of them we do not wince when we are described as a nation of shopkeepers, for they prove that we, like the Florentines and Venetians, are something more than that. M. Bourget has expressed the general wonder of cultivated foreigners that the English nation, which seems so matter of fact and even dull, should have produced two poets compared with whose works all other poetry seems to be prose; and these poets are the very two who are to be honored to-day in Rome. It is certainly a fact that more than any other nation we produce men of genius who vary extremely from our normal type, and we never have produced more wonderful poets than Shelley and Keats—London Times.

An Eye For Business.

The people of Eschweg think Sven Hedin a good business man. The merchants' association of that place invited him to deliver a lecture there, and in reply received a letter from the explorer in which he said he would be delighted to comply with the request, but expected to receive in return 4,500 marks. The secretary of the organization answered that the price was not in keeping with their modest means and that the explorer probably fancied that the invitation emanated from a colony of American gold mine owners.

Japanese Girl's College Honors.

With the degree of bachelor of divinity a Japanese, Miss Ochiho Okubo, was graduated from the Pacific Theological seminary with six other students when the commencement exercises of the seminary were held at the First Congregational church. Miss Okubo is also registered in sophomore work at the University of California and lives in Oakland—San Francisco Chronicle.

Helped Make History.

Dr. Mary Mills Patrick is at the head of the American College for Girls in Beirut, the Asiatic suburb of Constantinople. It was founded in 1871 as a high school and Dr. Patrick, then little more than a girl herself, became connected with it soon after. Graduates of this college are now helping to shape the history of eastern Europe and the Ottoman Empire. Women of Roumania, Serbia, Bulgaria, Persia, Mesopotamia, Egypt and other countries are educated there.

Gadfly a Universal Pest.

The gadfly is a pest that is known the world round and its pernicious habit of stinging animals in the heels while inserting its eggs under their skin has stamped many a mild-faced ox, from Vicksburg to Calcutta.

Life's Possibilities.

If we but lived as we ought to live and as we might live, a power would go out from us that would make every day a lyric sermon that should be seen and felt by an ever-enlarging audience—T. Starr King.

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.

NATIONAL STOCK YARDS, ILL. Cattle—Native, \$4.50@5.00; cows and heifers, \$4.25@4.50; stockers and feeders, \$4.00@4.25; calves, in car load lots, \$3.75@4.00; calves, under 100 lbs., \$3.50@3.75; good heavy, \$7.50@8.00; rough, \$6.50@7.00; light, \$5.50@6.00; sheep—Native, \$3.50@3.75; western, \$3.25@3.50; lambs, \$3.00@3.25; hogs—Native, \$3.50@3.75; western, \$3.25@3.50; stockers and feeders, \$3.00@3.25; pigs, \$2.50@2.75; mixed, \$2.25@2.50; light, \$2.00@2.25; heavy, \$1.75@2.00; corn—No. 2, \$1.25@1.30; No. 3, \$1.10@1.15; No. 4, \$1.00@1.05; No. 5, \$0.90@0.95; No. 6, \$0.80@0.85; No. 7, \$0.70@0.75; No. 8, \$0.60@0.65; No. 9, \$0.50@0.55; No. 10, \$0.40@0.45; No. 11, \$0.30@0.35; No. 12, \$0.20@0.25; No. 13, \$0.10@0.15; No. 14, \$0.05@0.10; No. 15, \$0.00@0.05.

GRAIN.

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—Wheat—No. 2, \$1.40@1.45; No. 3, \$1.35@1.40; No. 4, \$1.30@1.35; No. 5, \$1.25@1.30; No. 6, \$1.20@1.25; No. 7, \$1.15@1.20; No. 8, \$1.10@1.15; No. 9, \$1.05@1.10; No. 10, \$1.00@1.05; No. 11, \$0.95@1.00; No. 12, \$0.90@0.95; No. 13, \$0.85@0.90; No. 14, \$0.80@0.85; No. 15, \$0.75@0.80; No. 16, \$0.70@0.75; No. 17, \$0.65@0.70; No. 18, \$0.60@0.65; No. 19, \$0.55@0.60; No. 20, \$0.50@0.55; No. 21, \$0.45@0.50; No. 22, \$0.40@0.45; No. 23, \$0.35@0.40; No. 24, \$0.30@0.35; No. 25, \$0.25@0.30; No. 26, \$0.20@0.25; No. 27, \$0.15@0.20; No. 28, \$0.10@0.15; No. 29, \$0.05@0.10; No. 30, \$0.00@0.05.

CRIPPLED WITH SCIATICA

Caued by Disordered Action of the Kidneys.

Samuel D. Ingraham, 3402 E. Main St., Lewiston, Idaho, says: "For two years I was crippled with sciatica rheumatism in my thighs and could not get about without crutches. The kidney secretions became irregular, painful, and showed a heavy sediment. Doctors were not helping me so I began taking Doan's Kidney Pills. Improved soon, and after a while was entirely free from my suffering. I am in the best of health now and am in debt to Doan's Kidney Pills for saving my life."

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

HE PUZZLED THE BRITISHER

Evidently Doorkeeper Had Never Heard of the Lord That American Minister Served.

Judge George F. Lawton of the Middlesex probate court told me a story the other day of an American minister who was spending his sabbatical year traveling abroad. Arriving in London, he made every effort to get an intimate view of the two branches of parliament in session. Of course no stranger is allowed on the floor of the house of lords, but the minister not knowing this, and with the usual amount of American push, tried to make his way in. There is a rule, however, that servants of the various lords may be admitted to speak to their ministers. Seeing the minister walking boldly in, the doorkeeper asked: "What lord do you serve?" "What lord?" repeated the astonished American, "the Lord Jehovah!" For a moment the doorkeeper hesitated and then admitted him. Turning to an assistant standing near, he said: "He must mean one of those poor Scotch lairds."—Boston Record.

TORE HIS SKIN OFF

In Shreds—Itching Was Intense—Sleep Was Often Impossible.

Cured by Cuticura in Three Weeks.

"At first an eruption of small pustules commenced on my hands. These spread later to other parts of my body, and the itching at times was intense, so much so that I literally tore the skin off in shreds in seeking relief. The awful itching interfered with my work considerably, and also kept me awake nights. I tried several doctors and used a number of different ointments and lotions, but received practically no benefit. Finally I settled down to the use of Cuticura Soap, Cuticura Ointment and Cuticura Pills, with the result that in a few days all itching had ceased and in about three weeks' time all traces of my eruption had disappeared. I have had no trouble of this kind since. H. A. Kruskoff, 5714 Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill., November 18 and 23, 1907." Patent Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props., Boston.

TENDER, BUT NOT LOVING.



Writer to customer, who had complained that his steak is not tender enough—Not tender enough! Dyou expect it to kiss you!

Household Hint.

"Do you know how to use a chafing dish?"

"Yes," answered Mr. Sirius Barker. "I have some novel ideas on the subject."

"What are they?"

"The best way I know of to use a chafing dish is to punch a hole in the bottom of it, paint it green and plant flowers in it."—Washington Star.

The Young Dream.

The light was set in the conservatory.

"But," said the young girl, nervously plucking to pieces a mauve orchid, "but there are microbes in kisses."

The plashing of the fountain mingled with the low, deep voice of the youth.

"My microbes," he murmured, passionately, "are so lonely!"

Men Can Care for Themselves.

A coal company in the Hocking valley, O., employs both men and mules. One mule costs \$200, and in point of work equals six men. The company has this order standing on its books, "When the feds get weak, take out the mules."—Vancouver Mining Exchange.

Red, Weak, Watery Eyes Relieved by Murine Eye Remedy. Compounded by Experts and Druggists. Contains Pure Food and Drug Laws. Murine Cures Red, Watery, Itchy, Painful, and Sore Eyes. At Druggists.

For a Round Sum.

"How did Smith get on with that new apartment house he built?"

"It is a fat failure."

A man is praised too much when he is dead, and abused too much when he is living.

ONE THING THAT WAS CERTAIN

No Doubt in the Baggage-man's Mind as to Contents of What Looked Like Coffin.

In an emergency the manufacturer of Limburger cheese was forced to use strategy with a shipment. Ordinarily his product went in special cars, but in this instance no car was available and the order must be filled. Two hundred pounds of the fragrant comestible was put in a rough, oblong box, and taken to the railroad baggage room. Then the manufacturer bought a ticket for himself and the box, and entered the train. At the first stop he went ahead to the baggage car to see that there was no trouble. He stood by the box in a disconsolate attitude and shaded his eyes with his hand. The baggage-man was sympathetic. "A relative?" he asked. "Yes," answered the manufacturer, "it is my brother." "Well," said the railroad man, philosophically, "you have one consolation. He's dead, all right."—San Francisco Argonaut.

To Enjoy

the full confidence of the Well-Informed of the World and the Commendation of the most eminent physicians it was essential that the component parts of Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna should be known to and approved by them; therefore, the California Fig Syrup Co. publishes a full statement with every package. The perfect purity and uniformity of product, which they demand in a laxative remedy of an ethical character, are assured by the Company's original method of manufacture known to the Company only.

The Figs of California are used in the production of Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna to promote the natural taste, but the medicinal principles are obtained from plants known to act most beneficially. To get its beneficial effects always buy the genuine—manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only, and for sale by all leading druggists.

HOW CARELESS!



He—There was nearly a bad fire at the theater.

She—How was that?

He—The villain lit a cigarette and tossed the match into the show!

Women to Fight Tuberculosis.

One million women, representing cities, towns, villages and isolated rural settlements in every section of the country, are today enlisted in a campaign against tuberculosis, according to a statement issued by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis. In legislation, in congress at Washington, in society gatherings, in churches and clubs, through speaking and writing—in every possible way, the women of the country are persistently fighting consumption.

With an organization established in every state of the country, under the direction of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, and with associated clubs in Alaska, the Hawaiian Islands, Porto Rico and the canal zone, the women of the country have entered a systematic crusade to carry the message of the prevention and cure of tuberculosis into every American home.

Quite True.

Marian, a little three-year-old, is very stubborn. One day when she was fretful, her mother, wishing to engage her mind, attracted her attention to a cow in a vacant lot and asked what it was.

Marian replied, "hoss" (horse) and stubbornly refused to give in. Her mother, wishing to get a correct answer without scolding, asked, "What else grass besides a horse?" "More hoss," was the quick response—Deileator.

Laundry work at home would be much more satisfactory if the right Starch were used.

In order to get the desired stiffness, it is usually necessary to use so much starch that the beauty and fineness of the fabric is hidden behind a paste of varying thickness, which also affects the wearing quality of the goods. This trouble can be entirely overcome by using Defiance Starch, as it can be applied much more thinly because of its greater strength than other makes.

His Kick.

"My wife has no idea of proportion."

"What's wrong?"

"She had a \$200 gown made to match a \$10 dog."—Milwaukee Journal.

There is no need to suffer with soreness and stiffness of joints and muscles.

A little Hamline Wizard Oil rubbed in will limit them up immediately.

When a man gets to itching for office he should be given a place on the ticket and then scratched.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.

For children teething, soothes the gums, reduces inflammation, cures pain, cures wind colic, cures a bottle.

The man who has faith in God is sure to have many other good things.

Smokers Mind Lewis' Single Binder.

So clear better quality than most low cigars.

The way of the can't-guesser is hard.

A JUSTIFIABLE EXPRESSION.



WESTON, Ocean-to-Ocean Walker.

Said recently: "When you feel down and out, feel there is no use living, just take your hat and go out and walk. Before you have walked a mile things will look rosy. Just try it." Have you noticed the increase in walking of late in every community? Many attribute it to the comfort which Allen's Foot-Ease, the antiseptic powder to be shaken into the shoes, gives to the millions now using it. As Weston has said, "It has real merit. It cures tired, aching feet while you walk. 3000 testimonials. Order a 25c package today of any Druggist and be ready to forget your foot troubles. Trial package of ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE, sent FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y."

Continual Doubt.

"How many children have you?" said the tourist, affably.

"I dunno exactly," answered the tired-looking woman.

"You don't know?"

"Not for certain. Willie's gone faint. Tommy's breaking in a colt. George's borrowed his father's shot gun to go hunting an Esmeralda Ann is thinking of eloping. I never know how many I've got till supper time comes, so's I can count 'em."

Sheer white goods. In fact, any fine wash goods when new, owe much of their attractiveness to the way they are laundered, this being done in a manner to enhance their textile beauty. Home laundering would be equally satisfactory if proper attention was given to starching, the first essential being good starch, which has sufficient strength to stiffen, without thickening the goods. Try Defiance Starch and you will be pleasantly surprised at the improved appearance of your work.

A Plea for Bachelors.

There are few people in the community more generous, according to their means, more unselfish, and more self-denying than the much-maligned bachelor class. Why, then, should it be taxed? If a tax is required, let it be levied on the pampered, petted, over-indulged, usually ungrateful married man.—London Daily Graphic.

With a smooth iron and Defiance Starch, you can launder your shirtwaist just as well at home as the steam laundry can; it will have the proper stiffness and finish, there will be less wear and tear of the goods, and it will be a positive pleasure to use a Starch that does not stick to the iron.

Her Blue Kitchen.

"You are always talking about your lovely little blue kitchen," they said, "but we see you dining out every night. Do you never cook in it?" "Not enough to get tired of it," she said, "and that's the reason I like it so."

Exclusive.

"Where do the Hottentots live, Mary?" a public-school teacher asked one of her pupils. "I don't know," said Mary, truthfully. "Ma won't let me visit any of the people in this neighborhood."—Youth's Companion.

Succinct.

Justice O'Halloran—Have you any children, Mrs. Kelly?

Mrs. Kelly—How two living an' was married—Judy.

You can never make a woman believe that she isn't saving money when she spends ten cents in car fare in order to obtain a dollar article for 50 cents.

Spend less time in envying the success of your neighbor and a little more in trying to get there yourself.

It's a safe rule to pass up two-thirds of human philosophy.

Don't single birds straight by sight. You may be the sight and not the bird.

It's a safe rule to pass up two-thirds of human philosophy.

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS



You Need a Tonic

If you feel languid and depressed all the time. The best thing to help nature build up the system is

DR. D. JAYNE'S TONIC VERMIFUGE

This great tonic is not a false stimulant as many of the so-called "spring tonics." It is a natural strength-giver. For all run-down conditions of the health it is an invaluable remedy; imparts new life and vigor and builds up the entire system.

Sold by All Leading Druggists in two size bottles, 50c and 75c

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Why will women take chances with an operation of almost any kind, when they can find health in Lydia E